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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hideshi TEZUKA

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EXAMINER:

FOR: LONG-LIFE HEAT-RESISTING LOW ALLOY STEEL WELDED COMPONENT AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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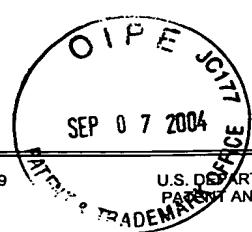
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